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RE: Docket No. FR920000029US1. Application No. 09/838367. Art Unit 2176.  
Filing Date 04/19/2001. Examiner: Paul Nguyen-Ba

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is correspondence regarding the application of:

Inventors: Bauchot, et al.

For: Method and System in an Electronic Spreadsheet for Applying User-defined Options

Enclosed is:

  X   Amendment and Reply to Office Action of June 3, 2004

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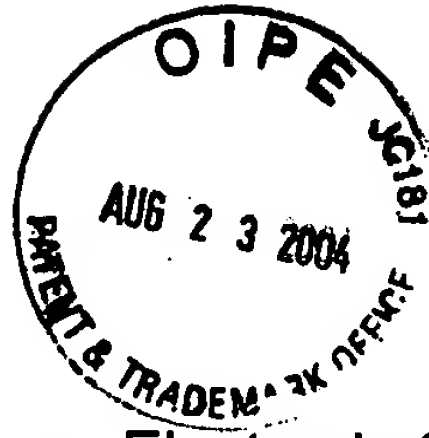
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**Amendment and Reply to Office action of June 3, 2004**

Sir:

In response to the Office action of June 3, 2004, the Assignee (IBM) respectfully submits the following amendment and reply. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments: begin on page 4 of this paper.